

2020

Excellence

Respect

Equality

Determination  
Resilience

Courage

Inspiration

Friendship

# The Leys Primary and Nursery

12th June 20



Accelerating progress



Enriching wellbeing



Promoting partnerships



Inspiration of the  
week

**HEALTH WORKERS**



Not all  
**HEROES**  
wear capes!



Welcome back to all those pupils and families who joined us on the 1st of June; and sending a huge 'HELLO' to all our families still at home! I have been heartened by the positive reports I have had from pupils, parent and staff regarding our return to school. Although we all had concerns, I could see by the first day that all our planning and organisation paid off. Our new one way system in school worked well, our small classes of pupils allowed for distancing in the classroom and the playground, and everyone was pleased to see each other!!!! Thank you everyone in the community for supporting the measures we put in place as this is the only way that we can stay open.

Important dates coming up

**Next week**

**16 June: Dress up in rainbow colours**



THE LEYS LEARNING VALUE SUMMER

**Compassion**

**PHASE 1—1 June : Return of pupils in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6, and Key worker pupils**

Pupils where parents have opted a place started last week.

**If you are a parent of a pupil in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 and you change your mind, and want your child to come to school please email**

**[admin@leys.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@leys.herts.sch.uk) to give us 1 weeks notice.**

**Lets all pay tribute to...  
our Health workers.**



**Wear rainbow colours at home and at school on Tuesday 16th June**

**...and send us a photo**



**PHASE 2— Return of pupils in Y2,3,4,5**

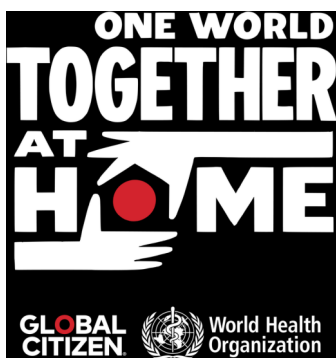
This week the government has announced that schools will make decisions about how many more pupils can return to school. Although I am aware the some local schools have already made their decisions, **at the Leys we are still considering how many more pupils we can accommodate safely, and will contact our families early next week.**

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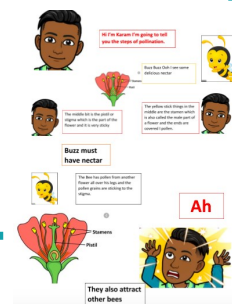


### The highlight of the week in Year 5 - Rosen

This week in Science, Rosen class have been looking at the reproduction of plants. The children were asked to research about how plants reproduce and complete a comic strip, powerpoint presentation or poster of their findings. Some of the work submitted on Google Classroom was absolutely outstanding!

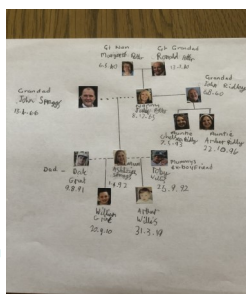
#### The pollination process

The pollination process begins when the fragrant smell of a flower attracts an insect such as a honeybee. Then the bee collects the pollen from the stigma of the plant and buzzes to another plant, as the bee collects the pollen, the pollen it had from the other flower is rubbed on the flower, then some plants disperse their seeds by shooting their seeds to the ground.



We have been looking into our family trees, and the teacher has been really impressed by the work done by Evie-Marie, William and Aiden.

### The highlight of the week in Year 4— Strong



### The highlight of the week in Year 3— Dahl

This week Leah created a video about her family and shared it with us at our weekly meeting. It was very well put together and she had obviously put a lot of work into it. Well done Leah!

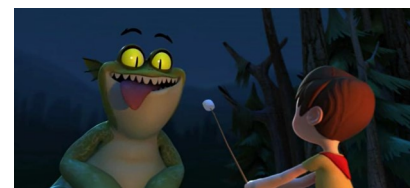


### Writer of the Week— Apostolos—Freedman

The green marshmallow monster ran rapidly after the boy scout. A few hours later, the marshmallow monster found the scared boy in a cave sobbing and he roared for more marshmallows to eat. Then suddenly, the monster felt how sad and frightened the boy was, so he played the circus clown and cheered him up...After all, the scout boy was his only chance of getting marshmallows!

The boy brought the funny monster to the campsite for more squishy marshmallows. Then, they found a giant bag full of sweet marshmallows and ate them around the glimmering fire.

**WINNER of the  
YEAR 3 and 4  
STORY WRITING  
COMPETITION!!!**



### The highlight of the week in Year 4— Morpurgo

'This week, we have been focusing on science, with many of us conducting science experiments to do with electricity, solids and liquids, and magnets. Our highlight of the week is Abigail's fantastic experiment on density, showing the density of different liquids. She even demonstrated how lighter liquids float...until you stir them! Well done everyone for your hard work'



### Writer of the Week— Becca—Ahlberg

#### **The Adventures of Ley the School Deer Chapter 2**

Ley was feeling lonely and sad, so he invited his friends around for a picnic. They ate some sandwiches, vegetables, cake and biscuits. Ley and his friend played a game which was tricks and jokes!

This made him happy!

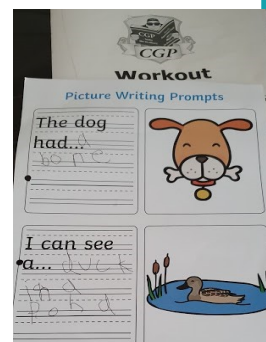
His friends are bunnies, squirrels, owls, birds and hedgehogs!





### Year 4—Pratchett

- My highlight of the week this week is Gracie's English and Maths work. Gracie has been doing lots of work around her handwriting and it's been lovely to see!
- Here is an example of her sentence writing. I'm very proud of Gracie and her hard work, keep it up!
- Miss Greve



### The highlight of the week in Year 5— Lewis

This week Lewis class had an online discussion about our favourite food and recipes. We decided that pepperoni pizza is a firm favourite in our class. Quite a few learners have been making biscuits during lockdown as well. Sophie shared her biscuit recipe with us.

Well here is the cookie recipe...

- 125g butter
- 100g soft light brown sugar
- 125g caster sugar
- 1 egg
- 1tsp vanilla extract
- 225g self raising flour
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 200g chocolate chips.



Preheat oven to 180 cream butter and sugars then add the egg and vanilla. Add the flour salt and chocolate chips. Roll into balls or a log and cut into slices. Leave room between them on a tray because they will spread in the oven. Bake for 7 minutes until just setting so they are soft and doughy. Let them harden on the tray for a few minutes before transferring to a cooling rack.



### The highlight of the week in Year 5 –Tolkien

This week, we have begun video conferencing as a class. It was great to see those who could make it! We talked about the things we had done during the lockdown, some excellent posters were shown and shared on stream and we even shared some ideas about how to keep fit and stay healthy. We look forward to more video conversations next week!

### The highlight of the week in Year 3 -Wilson

We had lots of children on our Google Classroom meet on Thursday sharing books that they recommend for the other children. We had a really good variety of books mentioned including 'The Ghost in Annie's room' by Philippa Pearce, 'The Ice Monster' by David Walliams and 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' by Roald Dahl.

### The highlight of the week in Year 2 Hargreaves

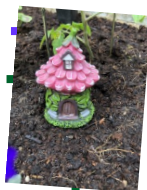
Hargreaves had two successful google meets this week where the children showed and shared. Thank you all for sharing your favourite books and telling us all about them. Thank you Amina for reading to us a chapter from your book. We look forward to seeing you next week



## The highlight of the week in Year 6—Shakespeare

Shakespeare pod proactively asked if we could discuss #BlackLivesMatter following the death of George Floyd in the US. The teachers have been very impressed with their understanding of current events and maturity in discussing what is quite a sensitive issue. This led onto discussions on British history and why some statues are being taken down due to links (e.g Edward Colston and the slave trade) that are no longer deemed socially acceptable.

**BLACK  
LIVES  
MATTER**



## The highlight of the week in Year 1— Carle

Year 1 have been doing work around the story of We're going on a Bear hunt. We have been clearing the courtyard and planting flow-

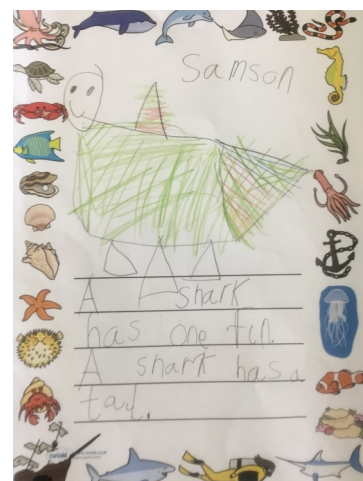
ers and veg-

etables.  
The Fairies  
have moved  
in over the  
weekend  
too!!!!



## The highlight of the week in Reception— Zephaniah

This week we have been learnt about sea creatures and after learning some interesting facts the children each wrote about a sea creature of their choice. Writing from Samson.



## The highlight of the week in Year 1— Sendak

Nellie has completed some fantastic research about different fruits and vegetables. She has found out whether they grow on trees, plants, above ground or below ground. She made a chart of ones she had heard of and ones she had not heard of. She decided that her top 3 fruits were apples, bananas and lemons and her top 3 vegetables were carrots, courgettes and potatoes

## The highlight of the week in Year 6— Dickens

In Dickens Class, our highlight of the week has been our PSHE Transition Lessons, where we have been discussing the difference between a Fixed Mindset and a Growth Mindset. This has given us the opportunity to reflect on ourselves, and the type of people we want to be going to secondary school. We have also accepted the challenge to take up a new hobby to develop our skills and talents, where we can have a 'Kid Awesome' attitude!



## The highlight of the week in Reception— Anderson

The children have really enjoyed our PE sessions and asked if they could do Joe Wicks with their friends as they had been doing it at home. The children all joined in really well and did some very hard exercises.'

